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Shipping Weight and Value; Customs District and Continent

This report presents statistics on U.S. exports and imports by air in U.S. customs district by continent arrangement. Data have been compiled from Shipper's Export Declarations (Commerce Form 7525-V) and import entries during the regular processing of statistical data on foreign trade shipments. The customs districts shown in this report are those having combined exports and imports by air valued at $1.5 million or more during the preceding calendar year. A complete list of customs districts and ports is presented in Schedule D, Classification of U.S. Customs Districts and Ports for U.S. Foreign Trade Statistics, January 1, 1972 edition, as amended.

Exports

These statistics represent exports of domestic and foreign merchandise combined and include government and nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from the United States to foreign countries. The statistics, therefore, include Department of Defense Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments, shipments for economic assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act, and shipments of agricultural commodities under P.L. 480 (The Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended) and related laws. Shipments to U.S. Armed Forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are not included in the export statistics. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but exports from Puerto Rico to foreign countries are included as a part of the U.S. export statistics. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such with U.S. Customs, is excluded. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise, and is included in this report.) The figures in this report exclude exports of household and personal effects, shipments by mail and parcel post, and shipments of airplanes under their own power.

For security reasons, certain commodities are designated as Special Category commodities, for which security regulations place restrictions upon the export information that may be released. The data shown in this report for individual customs districts and continents exclude exports of Special Category commodities, but overall shipping weight and value totals for Special Category commodities are shown. A list of Special Category commodities may be obtained from the Bureau of the Census.

The statistics on exports of domestic and foreign merchandise to countries other than Canada reflect fully compiled data for shipments valued $500 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued $251-$499, based on a 50-percent probability sample of such shipments. For exports to Canada the statistics reflect fully compiled data for shipments valued $2,000 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued $251-$1,999, based on a 10-percent probability sample of such shipments. Shipping weight and value data are also estimated for shipments valued under $251. These estimates are not included in the data shown for individual customs districts.

Since the export figures shown include estimates based on a sample of low-valued shipments, they are subject to some degree of sampling variability. The table on the following page provides a rough guide to the general level of sampling variability of value totals, on a 2 chances out of 3 basis. Usually, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors.

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Value totals for "Total" and "North America" of:	Proportion of cells with sampling variability of:			
	under 2%	under 5%	under 10%	under 20%
$1,000,000 and over	.60	.75	.85	1.00
$500,000-$1,000,000	.20	1.00		
$100,000-$500,000	.30	.45	.70	1.00
$20,000-$100,000		.35	.70	1.00
Cells of under $20,000	Are likely to have sampling variability from $3,000 to $15,000			

Value totals for continents of South America, Europe, Asia, Australia and Oceania, and Africa of:	Are likely to have sampling variability of:
$300,000 and over	Less than 2%
$100,000-$300,000	Less than 5% with over half of the totals less than 2%
$20,000-$100,000	Generally less than 10% with over half of the totals less than 5%
Under $20,000	Generally $500 to $5,000
Cells of $0	Generally less than $500

The sampling variability of shipping weight figures, in percentage terms, can be approximated by the percent sampling variability of value.

Imports

These statistics represent general imports, which are a combination of imports for immediate consumption and entries into bonded warehouses. The statistics include government as well as nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from foreign countries to the United States. However, American goods returned by the U.S. Armed Forces for their own use are excluded. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and with U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but imports into Puerto Rico from foreign countries are considered to be U.S. imports and are included. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through U.S. Customs, is not reported as imports and is excluded from the data shown in this report. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise and is included in this report.) Imports of household and personal effects, imports by mail and parcel post, and imports of airplanes under their own power are not included.

The statistics shown for individual customs districts represent fully compiled data for shipments valued $251 and over. Data for shipments valued under $251, reported on formal and informal entries (informal entries generally contain items valued under $251), are estimated from a 1-percent sample. Separate shipping weight and value estimates for shipments valued under $251 are shown. The shipping weight data are estimated from the values on the basis of constants that have been derived from an observation of the value-weight relationships in past periods.

Since the statistics showing total value of imports by all carriers include sample estimates, they are subject to sampling variability. In general, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors. Value totals of $500,000 and over will generally have a sampling variability of less than 3 percent; value totals of under $500,000 will generally have a sampling variability of less than $50,000.

Table 1. Selected Customs Districts of Lading by Continent

(Data shown represent domestic and foreign merchandise. Shipments of Special Category commodities are excluded from all district and continent data. Estimated shipments valued under $251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)								Value (1,000 dollars)							
	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers							All carriers	U.S. flag carriers						
Total, all carriers...	1,081,229	(X)	253,095	127,195	495,928	156,285	19,155	20,571	7,516,042	(X)	935,978	567,913	4,118,523	1,561,280	177,814	154,534
U.S. flag carriers.....	(X)	371,291	99,166	38,913	152,723	67,649	4,730	3,599	(X)	684,274	438,039	152,879	275,565	680,807	46,235	34,319
Boston, Mass.....	28,073	14,332	5,035	19	22,542	344	250	253	241,803	118,234	24,576	284	204,222	4,148	4,072	4,500
Bridgeport, Conn.....	287	322	1	12	337	(Z)	1	(Z)	1,886	1,543	9	269	1,601	2	4	1
Ogdensburg, N.Y.....	36	34	4	-	30	1	1	-	143	76	11	-	95	26	11	-
Buffalo, N.Y.....	4,244	4,198	4,127	(Z)	144	(Z)	-	2	33,211	32,736	32,799	1	396	7	-	8
New York City, N.Y.....	442,965	137,060	32,092	30,157	312,665	57,654	2,270	11,829	3,892,053	182,997	173,556	200,790	806,448	578,057	34,242	98,210
Philadelphia, Pa.....	8,981	4,719	1,146	723	5,065	1,809	34	229	71,820	30,141	6,233	4,163	36,479	23,125	198	1,622
Baltimore, Md.....	718	699	527	-	144	42	-	8	3,896	2,460	1,096	-	992	1,801	-	7
Wilmington, N.C.....	5	3	2	-	-	3	-	-	49	30	21	-	-	28	-	-
Charleston, S.C.....	593	593	23	43	290	163	64	11	3,874	3,874	61	315	1,654	1,107	644	92
Savannah, Ga.....	3,057	2,477	741	278	1,898	147	-	24	22,938	7,948	2,370	5,270	11,103	3,567	-	629
Tampa, Fla.....	937	300	871	58	8	1	-	(Z)	2,418	453	2,000	245	166	6	-	1
Mobile, Ala.....	149	149	-	-	-	149	(Z)	-	1,512	1,512	-	-	-	1,504	8	-
New Orleans, La.....	4,231	1,298	3,865	309	2	74	-	2	15,380	5,803	13,279	1,815	147	136	-	2
Laredo, Tex.....	2,707	1,589	2,305	250	83	116	(Z)	4	9,071	5,422	7,649	311	576	495	1	39
El Paso, Tex.....	1,399	1,393	1,408	-	14	1	(Z)	-	10,367	10,182	10,190	-	125	47	4	-
Nogales, Ariz.....	456	305	444	-	11	1	-	-	4,633	3,960	3,742	-	852	39	-	-
Los Angeles, Calif.....	60,949	22,542	8,892	2,089	19,012	26,889	3,904	719	754,792	245,625	84,086	23,794	265,485	331,190	40,986	9,251
San Francisco, Calif....	38,575	19,011	1,994	547	3,835	25,964	6,350	207	497,767	209,060	22,272	4,846	48,362	350,083	70,600	1,605
Portland, Oreg.....	915	918	138	-	757	13	-	4	16,379	16,002	1,020	-	14,773	520	-	66
Seattle, Wash.....	9,621	6,625	2,390	15	2,617	4,486	19	188	125,005	61,506	17,581	303	29,417	72,804	564	4,336
Anchorage, Alaska.....	2,198	1,088	868	-	164	1,186	-	(Z)	14,727	11,297	8,404	-	797	5,526	-	1
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	2,824	1,575	410	-	6	1,583	837	(Z)	22,032	9,514	699	-	194	14,679	6,459	1
Great Falls, Mont.....	494	484	491	-	-	3	-	-	5,164	5,062	5,160	-	-	4	-	-
Pembina, N. Dak.....	28	25	26	-	2	(Z)	-	-	208	183	187	-	20	1	-	-
Minneapolis, Minn.....	3,522	2,487	1,353	-	1,371	646	151	1	62,647	43,711	9,219	-	25,429	23,860	4,082	57
Detroit, Mich.....	17,603	13,942	3,831	409	12,710	278	135	271	94,185	79,154	22,163	687	67,636	1,242	1,011	1,446
Chicago, Ill.....	94,136	45,174	24,800	85	55,668	12,736	129	1,641	577,860	267,130	157,858	353	323,788	85,119	744	9,998
Cleveland, Ohio.....	5,287	725	3,804	14	1,327	141	6	16	25,617	6,411	16,379	38	8,637	374	25	164
St. Louis, Mo.....	766	808	101	-	661	44	-	2	12,657	12,657	614	-	11,951	66	-	26
San Juan, P.R.....	11,362	6,907	8,915	2,277	150	28	-	8	44,446	21,909	16,845	20,139	6,581	186	-	695
Miami, Fla.....	154,438	66,921	77,319	74,460	2,631	215	19	153	471,963	180,610	175,078	267,804	25,768	1,959	79	1,274
Houston, Tex.....	12,925	5,235	5,145	1,657	2,773	2,127	37	1,302	73,056	25,307	22,233	4,333	21,765	16,044	1,110	7,571
Washington, D.C.....	6,232	1,905	70	900	5,012	188	6	85	107,322	15,077	395	7,493	97,735	1,084	29	585
All other districts.....	1,210	938	561	115	413	50	1	69	13,806	10,257	4,816	168	8,111	458	4	249
Shipments under $251....	150,297	(NA)	60,571	13,048	47,568	20,387	5,064	3,659	280,806	(NA)	93,377	24,492	97,217	41,434	12,937	11,350
Special Category.....	9,006	4,511	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	111,419	56,430	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

- Represents zero. D Data withheld to avoid disclosure of information for security reasons. NA Not available. X Not applicable. Z Less than 500 pounds or $500.

Table 2. **Selected Customs Districts of Unlading by Continent**

(Estimated shipments valued under $251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers. Total columns include a small amount of shipments which are unidentified by continent)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)								Value (1,000 dollars)							
	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers							All carriers	U.S. flag carriers						
Total, all carriers..	931,447	(X)	101,700	82,305	488,065	247,268	6,207	5,040	5,159,380	(X)	386,464	174,468	3,030,814	1,416,260	36,999	113,326
U.S. flag carriers.....	(X)	416,322	40,481	36,567	2,194,229	139,434	3,701	1,911	(X)	1,488,627	166,941	76,743	406,202	793,550	19,067	26,123
Boston, Mass.....	34,221	17,614	1,256	419	31,614	814	12	106	168,990	88,530	10,749	1,127	149,923	3,330	87	3,774
Bridgeport, Conn.....	55	16	10	1	35	9	(Z)	-	608	189	126	10	423	36	14	-
Ogdensburg, N.Y.....	339	75	76	-	255	8	-	-	1,264	299	638	-	619	7	-	-
Buffalo, N.Y.....	2,190	1,898	1,924	2	194	68	(Z)	1	24,615	22,551	21,246	21	3,046	298	(Z)	4
New York City, N.Y.....	444,237	183,212	10,566	30,765	326,536	72,821	1,293	2,257	2,621,552	69,987	63,821	106,848	1,957,917	399,207	7,435	86,323
Philadelphia, Pa.....	9,242	5,195	291	23	7,765	1,062	38	63	87,601	54,945	2,275	152	70,416	4,848	118	9,792
Baltimore, Md.....	1,576	1,229	97	(Z)	1,282	175	(Z)	21	10,822	9,134	1,070	2	8,691	863	23	173
Wilmington, N.C.....	2,954	2,905	3	(Z)	2,906	44	-	-	28,401	28,199	50	34	28,223	93	-	-
Charleston, S.C.....	1,159	1,109	4	-	364	(Z)	791	-	45,392	45,280	31	-	44,901	1	458	-
Savannah, Ga.....	676	573	128	12	514	20	1	(Z)	10,204	9,210	2,279	206	7,626	49	38	5
Tampa, Fla.....	294	166	210	53	28	3	(Z)	(Z)	1,440	550	910	52	460	12	4	3
Mobile, Ala.....	21	18	(Z)	5	8	7	(Z)	-	75	61	2	15	40	16	3	-
New Orleans, La.....	4,201	1,651	3,202	101	61	379	8	450	3,197	1,653	2,041	233	474	369	16	64
Laredo, Tex.....	1,456	1,225	1,445	1	5	4	(Z)	-	3,271	2,013	2,901	20	205	144	1	-
El Paso, Tex.....	203	174	190	(Z)	7	6	-	(Z)	5,110	4,618	4,948	5	93	59	-	7
Nogales, Ariz.....	186	136	175	(Z)	8	3	(Z)	-	2,229	1,714	2,054	9	143	22	(Z)	-
Los Angeles, Calif.....	81,681	39,101	3,784	1,109	13,338	61,999	1,348	103	668,823	351,108	54,400	5,856	219,018	375,833	12,603	1,111
San Francisco, Calif...	66,824	48,442	685	118	2,935	62,080	987	19	488,870	318,490	6,727	692	27,371	443,298	10,275	507
Portland, Oreg.....	162	148	28	-	63	26	46	-	1,812	1,694	175	-	168	76	1,394	-
Seattle, Wash.....	15,549	13,049	1,702	5	1,799	12,023	3	18	95,477	67,192	25,085	38	12,991	57,084	72	207
Anchorage, Alaska.....	1,040	561	10	-	340	688	-	2	4,659	1,491	89	-	2,514	2,045	-	11
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	5,682	2,603	434	1	228	4,536	483	-	40,806	17,240	582	2	7,764	29,999	2,458	-
Great Falls, Mont.....	176	162	169	-	(Z)	(Z)	-	6	2,242	1,970	2,120	-	105	(Z)	-	17
Pembina, N. Dak.....	222	175	220	-	2	1	-	-	1,372	1,174	1,337	-	31	4	-	-
Minneapolis, Minn.....	2,482	2,199	126	(Z)	461	1,886	1	8	11,427	10,161	1,647	5	4,232	5,437	30	76
Detroit, Mich.....	14,953	11,728	2,859	1	11,619	435	2	37	56,816	41,595	11,651	17	43,442	1,483	45	178
Chicago, Ill.....	49,036	22,415	3,789	118	35,419	9,071	159	480	347,459	157,469	48,442	787	248,875	43,895	852	4,608
Cleveland, Ohio.....	1,906	628	575	2	1,092	236	1	1	14,001	6,234	4,530	10	8,430	1,013	16	3
St. Louis, Mo.....	834	715	15	5	697	116	(Z)	1	14,845	13,722	67	6	13,595	1,143	8	28
San Juan, P.R.....	22,365	6,321	14,956	5,462	1,832	107	(Z)	7	34,283	8,729	16,510	5,683	10,327	1,723	(Z)	39
Miami, Fla.....	84,953	40,726	39,098	41,225	3,527	1,066	4	32	162,398	83,950	75,638	48,142	35,702	2,591	14	312
Houston, Tex.....	4,711	2,309	1,469	350	1,707	429	1	756	47,515	4,610	7,100	1,389	18,696	18,918	6	1,406
Washington, D.C.....	7,657	6,976	196	9	7,345	102	1	4	65,978	58,945	291	25	60,279	1,500	20	3,863
All other districts....	1,755	867	917	4	476	17	340	(Z)	4,808	3,921	1,412	13	3,111	100	171	1
Shipments under $251...	66,450	(NA)	11,089	2,515	33,600	17,027	688	669	81,019	(NA)	13,520	3,068	40,965	20,762	839	815

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